TOWN OF GRANBY INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES COMMISSION MINUTES November 12, 2014

PRESENT Chairman David Tolli, Aurelle Locke, Craig Perry, Deb Sheahan and David Askew.

Chairman Tolli called the meeting to order and confirmed a quorum at 7:02 p.m.

MINUTES

ON A MOTION by Mrs. Locke, seconded by Mrs. Sheahan, the commission approves (4-0-0) the minutes of the October 8, 2014 meeting as written.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

2a. 62 Lost Acres Road, pond treatment and suction dredging, John Jenkins

Mr. Jenkins, upon advice from his lawyer, requests that the commission accept the study and recommendations developed by Dr. Robert Kortmann and the permit received by the State of Connecticut. The pond clean-up process described is to apply an alum treatment and then have a diver vacuum the resulting sediment.

The hearing was open for public comment. No comments were made and the hearing was closed.

ON A MOTION by Mrs. Locke, seconded by Mrs. Sheahan. (4-0-0)

2b. 15 and 22 Allen Road, removal of shoreline vegetation on Manitook Lake, Todd Kennedy, William Curtis and Mar DesMarais

Mr. Kennedy, 15 Allen Road, and fellow applicants hired Aquatic Control Technology (ACT) to remove the vegetation clogging the shoreline. Access for the hydro rake equipment will be from the boat launch on Westlake Drive. Mr. Kennedy has been granted permission for the use by the Manitook Lake Association. The process is expected to take 40 hours/or one week to complete. In addition Mr. Kennedy plans to remove a telephone pole retention wall. He plans to remove soil behind the wall prior to removal to prevent the poles rolling into the lake.

The hearing was open for public comment. No comments were made and the hearing was closed,

ON A MOTION by Mrs. Locke, seconded by Mrs. Sheahan. (4-0-0)

APPLICATIONS

2a. 62 Lost Acres Road, pond treatment and suction dredging, John Jenkins The ruling by the commission is exclusively for the alum treatment and pond dredging process.

ON A MOTION by Mr. Perry, seconded by Mrs. Locke, the commission unanimously approves the application with the condition that the wetland agent be notified prior to and is present during the process. (4-0-0)

2b. 15 and 22 Allen Road, removal of shoreline vegetation on Manitook Lake, Todd Kennedy, William Curtis and Mar DesMarais

Mr. Askew, wetlands agent, requires a cross-section map of the area of soil to be removed prior to removal of the retaining wall.

ON A MOTION by Mrs. Locke, seconded by Mrs. Sheahan, the commission approves the removal of shoreline vegetation at 15 and 22 Allen Road and removal of the retaining wall at 15 Allen Road provided the wetland agent is notified of the start date of the process. It is agreed that there is no feasible or prudent alternative. (4-0-0)

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3c. Chatsworth Village, road and drainage renovations

Todd Parsons, engineer for the project and Del Shelkrit, President of the Chatsworth Village Association presented the project.

Chatsworth Village was built in the 1980s with 89 units. The plan is to repave all of the roadways, replace the driveways and catch basins. Three new catch basins will be installed to address ponding and icing hazards. The new catch basins will tie into the existing system. No new discharge or riprap will be created. The process will be done in phases to allow the occupants continued access and minimal disruption. Chatsworth Village has a condo association and all roads are private. The association membership has voted to accept the project and related costs.

ON A MOTION by Mrs. Locke, seconded by Mrs. Sheahan, the commission reclassifies the application to a Request for Review and authorizes the wetland agent to sign it as there is no direct impact on regulated areas. (4-0-0) The application fee is to be refunded.

REQUEST FOR REVIEW

ON A MOTION by Mrs. Locke, seconded by Mr. Perry, the commission adds the following Request for Review to the agenda (4-0-0):

4a. 98 Granville Road, storage barn

The existing farm on the property is active. The property is very wet and the existing home built in the 1980s sits on the highest spot. The request is to build a storage barn for agricultural equipment. Farming exemptions apply.

ON A MOTION by Mrs. Locke, seconded by Mrs. Sheahan, the commission accepts that the request is a use as of right and fits within the agricultural exemption. Mr. Askew is designated to sign the review. (4-0-0)

DISCUSSION ITEM

4. 218 West Granby Road, Zhovkliy

Mr. Askew met with the property owners who signed the agreement for remediation with one modification. Fruit trees will be planted and mowing will cease rather than remove fill in an area designated in the agreement. Removed material will be used in an upland location. The process will be monitored by Mr. Askew and is to be complete by August 15, 2015.

ANY OTHER PROPER BUSINESS

The next monthly meeting is December 10, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall meeting room.

ON A MOTION by Mr. Perry, seconded by Mrs. Locke, the commission unanimously agreed to end the meeting at 8:09 p.m. (4-0-0)

Respectfully submitted.

Sandra Yost Recording Secretary